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For : **SENSOR ELEMENT FOR
DETERMINING THE OXYGEN
CONCENTRATION IN GAS
MIXTURES AND METHOD
FOR ITS MANUFACTURE**

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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